



By the King.

A Proclamation for suppressing of false  
Rumours touching Parliament.



Whereas, notwithstanding Our late Declaration, for satisfying of the mindes and affections of Our louing Subjects, some ill disposed persons doe spread false and pernicious Rumours abroad, as if the scandalous and seditions proposition in the House of Commons, made by an outlawed man, desperate in minde and fortune, which was tumultuously taken up by some few, after that by Our Royall authoritie, wee had commanded their Adiournement, had beeene the vote of the whole House, whereas the contrary is the trueth: for it was then decried by the wisest and best affected, and is since disauowed vpon examination, by such as were suspected to haue consented thereunto, and affirmed, as well by them as others who served in the House that day, to bee a thing of a most wicked and dangerous consequence to the good estate of this Kingdome: which appeareth to be so, by those impressions which this false Rumour hath made in mens mindes, whereby, out of causelesse feares, the Trade of the Kingdome is disturbed, and Merchants discouraged to continue in their wonted Traffique. wee haue thought it expedient, not onely to manifest the trueth heereof, but to make knowne Our Royall pleasure, that those who raise, or nourish such false reports shall be severely punished, and such as cheerefully goe on with their Trade, haue all good incouragement, not purposing to ouercharge Our Sub-

iects by any new burthens, but to satisfie Our selves with those Duties that were received by the King Our Father of blessed memory; which wee neither can, nor will dispence withall, but shall esteeme them vnworthy of Our Protection, who shall deny the same; wee intending to employ it for defence of Our Kingdome, Dominion of Our Seas, and safegard of Our Merchants, specially by such Shipping, as are now making readie, and such further preparation for ayde of Our Friends and Allies as need shall require.

And Whereas, for severall ill ends, the calling againe of a Parliament is divulged, howsooner wee haue shewed, by Our frequent meeting with Our People, Our Loue to the vse of Parliaments; Yet the late abuse, hanting for the present driven Us unwillingly out of that course, wee shall account it presumption, for any to prescribe any time vnto Us for Parliaments, the Calling, Continuing, and Dissoluing of which is alwayes in Our owne power; and wee shall bee more inclinable to meeete in Parliament againe, when Our People shall see more cleerely into Our Intentions and Actions, when such as haue bred this interruption shall haue received their condigne punishment, and those who are misled by them, and by such ill reports, as are raised vpon this occasion, shall come to a better vnderstanding of Us and themselves.

Giuen at Our Court of White-Hall, this seuen and twentieth day of March, in  
the Fifth yeere of Our reigne of Great Britaine, France, and Ireland.

God sauē the King.



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